



2019 Holiday Newsletter

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Happy Holidays to all our Angel Cat Friends, Parents and Supporters!

Thanksgiving, Christmas, Hanakkuh & New Years are speeding towards us and what a lot has been going on this year! Is it just me, or are the months going faster?

First, I want to let you know how thankful and grateful we are for all of you who support our work helping to save abandoned and lost cats and kittens and find them new homes. We truly could not keep this up without all of your generous donations and kind notes and letters cheering us on and helping us to not give up. Fund raising is one of the most difficult parts of being a 501c3 non profit animal rescue, we get zero help from any government agencies, just all of you and sometimes the Petco Foundation. So, YOU are all very, very important to us!

One very wonderful thing that happened this summer is that (drumroll please.....) ELI GOT ADOPTED! This sweet boy came back to us after having a home for seven years and really wasn't crazy about living at Angel Cat Manor (my house) with the many furry roommates that reside there, so it was really wonderful when a past Second Chance adopter who happens to be a client of our vet, applied to adopt Eli! He has just a mommy and a grandma and no other cats to share them with. We love it when the seniors get their furrever homes and Eli (and my heart) couldn't be happier!

Currently, we are housing about 40 foster cats, aging from 3 to 14. Many of our older fosters have been with us from the beginning and for one reason or another just didn't ever get adopted, though they came in as little kittens. The promise we make when a new Angel Cat comes to us is that "no matter how long it takes, you have a place with us until you are adopted". And I have seen that take years. It changes the dynamic of our group a bit, in that kittens need vetting (shots, spay/neuter, all the stuff kittens need to be adopted) but as foster cats age, then we are needing to do senior blood work yearly (to make sure we don't miss any underlying medical issues like thyroid, kidney, dental cleaning etc) and that actually ends up requiring more funding than kittens over the long haul! Fortunately, the kittens usually do not linger for the most part.

We still care for one colony of ferals, they are all spayed/neutered and have vaccines. I think there are about 15 with no new kittens born. It's ok that they don't want us to pet them, we can still love them. I'm not sure I would trust humans either, if I were them! ☺

Westminster Petco is still our home base and we can be found there most Saturdays. Please stop by, say hello and pick up a free catnip toy that I make with love and Hello Kitty fabric!

We hope you have a blessed holiday season with your furrkids and remember, tomorrow is not promised, so purr more, hiss less! I borrowed that from Frosty the Frozen Kitten's facebook page! I hope she won't mind.

Rosie Hill